

**MINUTES
COLUMBUS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MAY 22, 2007
MEETING HALL, 1st FLOOR, CITY HALL
123 WASHINGTON STREET
COLUMBUS, INDIANA**

Members Present: Mary Ferdon, Chairperson, Karen Dugan, Secretary, Patricia Zeigler, Dave Bonnell

Staff Present: Laura Thayer, Assistant Planning Director, Marcus Hurley, Associate Planner, Heather Pope, Associate Planner, Alan Whitted, City Attorney, Stephanie Carr and Mark DeBusk, Code Enforcement

Mary Ferdon, Chairperson, opened the meeting with a brief explanation about the Board and its responsibilities.

Proof of advertising for all cases was confirmed. The petitions and staff comments are a permanent record at the Planning Department.

Alan Whitted, Deputy City Attorney, administered the oath to all in attendance that would be speaking.

NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

PUBLIC HEARING: C/UV-07-02: BETHESDA HOUSE

Bethesda House is a request by Mike Harris for a use variance to operate an addictive behavior recovery home in an RB (Restricted Buffer) district. The property is located at 423-425 Lafayette Avenue in the City of Columbus.

Mike Harris and Attorney Tim Vrana said their names and addresses for the record.

Alan Whitted stated that there was additional material submitted from the petitioners and he requested that the hearing be continued until next month, so that he could have additional time to review the new information he had received.

Ms. Ferdon asked the petitioners if they objected to the continuance and they stated that would not be a problem.

Patricia Zeigler moved to continue **C/UV-07-02. The motion was** seconded by Dave Bonnell, and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING: C/DS-07-04: BRANDS INC

Brands Inc is a request for the following development standards variances: to allow a driveway to exceed a width of 30 feet, to encroach into the minimum rear setback 10 feet, and for relief of the requirement to screen outdoor storage of materials. The property is zoned B-5 (General Commercial) and is located at 1425 California Street in the City of Columbus.

Petitioners Jessie Brand and Tip Scott stated their names and addresses into the record.

Ms. Pope read the background along with the findings of fact into the record. All criteria had been met.

A visual presentation was presented.

Mr. Brand presented his case. There was no public comment.

Karen Dugan made a motion to approve **C/DS-07-04** based on the findings of fact as presented by staff.

Pat Zeigler seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The following findings of fact were presented to the Board for consideration.

C/UV-07-01: Nugent Sand Company

Dave Bonnell made a motion to accept the findings of fact.

The motion was seconded by Karen Dugan. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The approval of the March minutes was continued to the next meeting in June.

DISUSSION

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mary Ferdon, Chair

Karen Dugan, Secretary